

SECTION 401 WATER QUALITY CERTIFICATION PUBLIC NOTICE

The Central Coast Water Board is currently reviewing a Clean Water Act section 401 Water Quality Certification application for the project described below. We encourage public comments on the proposed project and will take comments into consideration when taking action on the application. You may submit written comments on this project to:

Central Coast Regional Water Quality Control Board

895 Aerovista Place, Suite 101

San Luis Obispo, CA 93401

Attention: 401 Coordinator

OR

centralcoast@waterboards.ca.gov

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Project Applicant: Santa Cruz County Department of Public Works – Riley Gerbrandt

Applicant's Agent: Sycamore Environmental Consultants, Inc. – Jeff Little

Project Name: Santa Cruz County Valencia Road PM 2.43 Storm Damage Repair

Receiving Water: Valencia Creek

City/County: Aptos / Santa Cruz

Public Notice: December 16, 2019 – January 6, 2020

Project Description:

The purpose of the proposed project is to repair damage to Valencia Road caused by storms and improve road safety.

The proposed project activities include:

- Installing a retaining wall approximately 180 feet long, extending from the existing retaining wall along the southbound lane;
- Repaving approximately 300 feet of roadway;
- Installing a barrier on the west side of the southbound lane on top of the wall;
- Installing a trench drain within and under the existing roadside ditch on the eastside of Valencia Road;
- Placing native soil over the trench drain and the reshaping the roadside ditch;
- Constructing a drain inlet and roadway cross-drain at the north end of the trench drain and roadside ditch;
- Removing sediment from a landslide from Valencia Creek;
- Revegetating temporary disturbed areas; and
- Removing some trees to allow for an access road.

No mitigation is proposed. Santa Cruz County filed a Categorical Exemption on August 23, 2018.